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SUBJ: US PX PURCHASES FROM ISRAEL

1. MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY'S ACTING ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR TRADE (KIRIYATI) RAISED FOLLOWING
ISSUE WITH EMBOFF. FOR PAST TEN YEARS ACCORDING TO KIRIYATI
ISRAEL HAS HAD AN AGREEMENT WITH US ARMY AND NAVY PX SYSTEMS WHEREIN
THEY

AGREED TO MAXIMIZE THEIR OFFSHORE PROCUREMENT IN ISRAEL
IN RETURN FOR WHICH USG WAS AUTHORIZED TO PURCHASE
DOLLARS WITH ISRAELI POUNDS FOR UP TO 35 PERCENT OF TOTAL
SALES TO PX'S. GOI HAS FAVORED THIS AGREEMENT NOT ONLY
BECAUSE OF APPROXIMATELY FOUR AND ONE-HALF MILLION DOLLARS
IN EXPORTS IT GENERATED ANNUALLY, BUT ALSO BECAUSE IT
REPRESENTED A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR ISRAEL TO PENETRATE
THE US MARKET. KIRIYATI SAID HE HAD RECEIVED REPORTS THAT
DALLAS HEADQUARTERS OF PX SYSTEMS HAD RECENTLY ADVISED
THEIR OFFICES IN EUROPE TO MINIMIZE THEIR PURCHASES IN
ISRAEL. HE ASKED IF THIS WERE TRUE, AND IF SO, WHY
WAS IT BEING DONE IN LIGHT OF AGREEMENT WHICH HAS EXISTED
FOR TEN YEARS BETWEEN GOI AND USG.

2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE.

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